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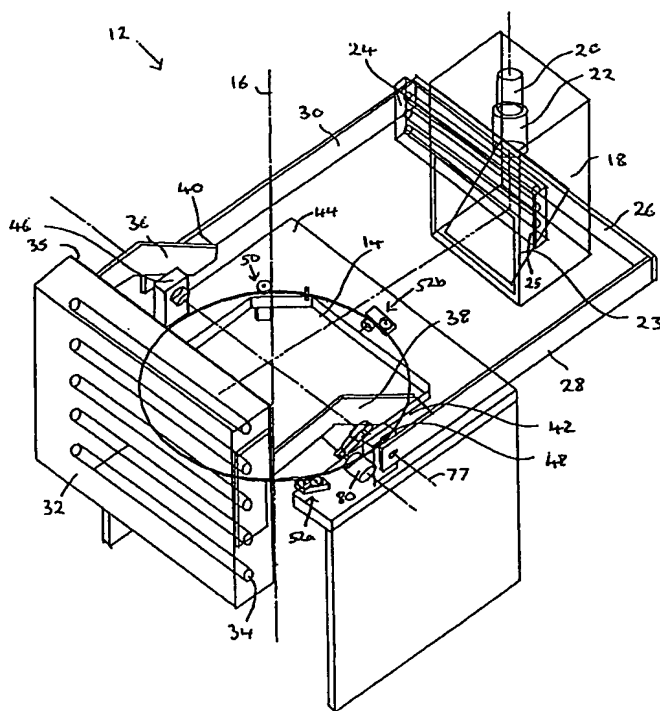
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(54) Title: IMAGE ACQUISITION SYSTEM FOR GENERATION OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL MODELS



(57) Abstract: A photographic apparatus and a method for taking images of an object for use in generating a three dimensional model of the object are described. The apparatus includes an object placement unit, an image capturing unit and an object illumination unit. The image capturing unit and the object illumination unit are connectedly moveable relative to the object placement unit so that in all positions of the image capturing unit and the illumination unit, the object can be placed on the object placement unit so that the illumination unit can provide the illumination required for the image capturing unit to take silhouette images of the object.